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Liebknecht out of jail is of the same opinion still.

The colonel is sixty years old-old enough to know better. Maximilian Harden would apologize

to Belgium, but the colonel is obdurate toward Colombia.

Turkey continues to declare her will-Ingness to accept the Wilson terms, but nobody seems to pay any attention. If the boys "over there" are to be

remembered, you are again advised to do your Christmas shopping early. Is the present process in central Euunscrambling, or is it the

original thing itself? Another death is reported as a casualty of football, which was popularly supposed to be adjourned.

London does not think the U-boats have all reached home, but their activity has subsided.

The intelligence was dispatched to Austria from Berlin that there is no body to spare for her defense, It was expected that Chairman Haya

would criticise the president's appeal or support. That is his job. Solf insists that he means it-that

in good faith. The Kansas City Times declares that a free viaduct is in sight, but it can't

his acceptance of the president's terms

see peace yet even with a telescope. all the difference in the world whether there is to be a just peace or just

One of the hopeful signs of the times is the extreme hatefulness with which Germany is coming to look upon "brute

Our idea of nonessential employment is instructing the average American about what to do with his liberty bond

Keeping politics out of politics-in other words, denaturing the gamewas found to be too much to expect of Americans. "Will the yappers now cease?" asks

the Detroit News of the president's critics. The public will cease them if The Germans even bombard flu hospitals with mustard gas. Maybe

they think the hair of the dog is good for the bite. The colonel declares that the war

has been heartily "supported by all good citizens." Thought he considered himself a good citizen.

Speaking of crossing a bridge before reaching it, Emperor Charles' voluntary abdication would be a beautiful example.

Those who do not want the Germans to know peace conditions in advance are equally anxious to conceal them from the folks at home.

You are urged to shop early as a means of winning the war. Then it will help still more if you will tote your package home with you.

"In the midst of victory the president has assumed the role of peacemaker."-New York Tribune, Not Sarior of man.

"Stand by president; Shields and Johnson"-Headline in editorial in the ever-faithful Knoxville Sentinel. Substitute a comma for the semi-colon, and the injunction would be timely.

This week is more than likely to bring some grave international questions very close to a head. Germany is going to have to prove its sincerity state. in offering to surrender.

It is perhaps too early to predict that the boys will be out of the trenches by Christmas, but all the same, French and Belgian trenches are being rap-

An exchange advises that we do not waste too much breath between now and the next loan. The loan requires that the saving habit be extended to include more than the breath.

Every once in a while some editor tells you how necessary it is for the world to unite for the uprooting of militarism in Germany-and the transplanting of it in the United States.

It is not altogether certain that the president will feel complimented by those who pretend to "support the president," but discredit his efforts to effect a permanent peace settlement by continually urging the demands of Roosevelt, Lodge and company, which are made for political effect.

According to the following from the Rockwood Times, Chattanooga enterprise is rated 100 per cent, among her neighbors: "Chattanooga jurors are on a strike until after the flu subsides. Chattanooga may be looked to to start something new most any day. Even Atlanta has nothing on Chattanooga."

The New York Tribune's Washington correspondent says that the president has been a good deal puzzled at some of the newspapers. He is said to have pointed out that the same newspapers which after the German note was received "printed strong editorials insisting on only an unconditional surrender peace, just a few days ago printed equally strong editorials indorsing his note to Germany." Wonder what the president thinks of a New York newspaper which favored acceptance of the impossible proposition from Austria of an "un- German fleet would be a spectacular Venizelos came back to power, and binding secret conference on peace," and then advised against a reply to Germany's offer to surrender on the surrender of the fleet is demanded. It important factor. It is very likely that prosident's terms

GERMANY IN YIELDING MOOD.

The president told Dr. Solf that if Germany was still governed by the war lords the only terms we would offer would be "surren-der." At the same time he indicated that if such a government had been displaced then we would consider the question of an armistice, which had already been referred to the governments associated with us. In the same note he said, in language that could not be misunderstood, that we would consider no armistice which would enable Germany to start the war again.

Dr. Solf's answer is very short, and, so far as general terms are concerned, could not be more positive or explicit. The London Daily News says that he must be given credit for having returned an answer, "precisely what the occasion demanded." We do not know yet how our government at Washington will consider it. No doubt Prince Maximilian and Dr. Solf and the liberals associated with them think their government has been democratized. But we do not yet have any information as to the exact relation which the kaiser bears to the new government. It is reported that the reichstag has passed a bill making the military subordinate to the civil authorities. But has the bundesrath brought itself to the point where it would agree to such a bill? And what are now the powers of the bundesrath itself? Has the reichstag really become a legislative body?

We are, it is sure, making definite progress toward what amounts to a peace of surrender on the part of the central powers, but we are not yet out of the woods. Nevertheless, every one who would like to see the awful slaughter cease and the world guaranteed against its renewal must feel that the president's spiritual weapons, along with Foch's physical weapons, is carving out a great victory, a victory in which the people of Germany themselves will

If Germany's answer is assuring to the president, we shall soon have the terms of armistice for proposal to Germany. The London Daily News hopes that these will be moderate. Unquestionably, the enemy realizes his complete defeat, and he would, no doubt, be willing to give guaranties which three months ago he would have scouted, but there may be a limit. No chance, it is true, should be taken on a renewal of the war. The war lord must be put hors de combat. At the same time we need not insist on such unnecessary guaranties that Germany, and perhaps Austria, would fight on for six months or a year, at the cost to the world of millions of lives, and perhaps a succeeding bolshevism.

It is very fortunate, indeed, that there are 2,000,000 Americans now in France. We venture the prediction that some of them will be used for the occupation of Metz, Thionville, Saarburg and Luxemburg, and possibly also in the Trentino and at Trieste, along with troops of other countries. The German armies should be compelled to leave their artillery and demobilize their armies. Their submarines should be compelled to retire to some neutral sea base and suffer dismantlement. Belgium should be evacuated immediately, so anat King Albert and Queen Elizabeth, at the head of their heroie armies, could enter it.

Guaranties should also be required that all enemy troops should at once evacuate Poland, the Ukraine, the Baltic provinces and Fin-An exchange declares that it makes land. The Turks should be required to evacuate Armenia and the little difference in the world whether Trans-Caucasus. The Dardanelles should be opened at once, all mined areas in the Mediterranean, the channels and the North and Baltic seas should be cleared by international action, and commerce disposition shall be made of European with neutral countries resumed, and, so far as can be arranged, with belligerents. Serbia already is being abandoned.

We are approaching the hour when we shall know whether or not Germany is merely playing for time or is willing actually to yield. But all the indications are that the people of Germany have

determined to make peace. Since the above was put in type has come the news that Auscria-Hungary accepts all our terms, seeks a separate peace and asks an armistice. This is significant of the desperate situation in enemy lands. The end is nearly in sight.

#### PLEASURES OF HOPE.

Henry Adams, of Massachusetts, supposed to be a scion of the ancient Adams family, has been making a tour over the country, so he says, and has ing every day. This inevitable drift in their favor is always discovered by temporary comes bluntly to the point politicians just before election, but all of the whole matter, as follows: traces of it are sometimes lost when the votes are counted.

Chances of capturing the senate, Mr. Adams thinks, are approaching a certainty. Not long ago republicans considered this feat impossibel, but now he says they are not only optimistic, but are enthusiastic and confident. They are sure that while making deep inroads upon their opponents they will not lose a single senatorial seat now held by them. The tide is running so really inclined to be sorry for the democrats. It looks so good to Mr. Adams such a despised role according to the that he herewith gives us a few details of how he sees the battle lines. He says, in part:

state. There appears no doubt of Gov. Capper's election in Kansas over Senator Thompson. Indeed, the republicans are claiming that Capper, who carried the state last time by something like 150,000, will get a greater plurality than Thompson will veter. plurality than Thompson will votes.

"In Idaho, notwithstanding the asrade, where the republicans have Sen-ator Shafroth fighting hard. In Montana, Landstrum is making steady gains against Walsh. Coming east-ward, the republicans are counting on publican in place of Hollis, while in Delaware, the chances favor the elecof a republican over Willard Saulsbury, the president pro-tempore of the senate, Of course, Senator Weeks will be re-elected in Massachu-

setts." It is noted, however, that there are several old precepts which Mr. Adams seems to have overlooked in his roseate forecast. One of them has to do with the uncertainty of counting chick- for visiting statesmen to hit us for ens before they are hatched, another still another respecting the best laid tically certain that the war's developplans of mice and men. The demo- ments have given him several other crats would probably concede that their opponents are hungry for the jobs, but

A bright woman once declared that portion of Europe with the authorities having contracted an engagement of the start, and but for the opposition of \$5,500,000 a year. This is too much. It marriage, looking forward to its con- King Constantine, brother-in-law of is enjoined upon us, not only to hold summation was perhaps the best part the kaiser, would have led Greece to of it all. And it is altogether probable the support of Serbia in accordance tivate sentiment, but Commissioner that in a political way, the pleasures with her treaty obligation. Had he of hope give greater enjoyment than succeeded in doing this there might those of memory.

A dash for the open sea by the grand Constantine was finally ousted and way to end the war. Something of this now that a recasting of the map of the kind may be determined upon if the Balkans is imminent he becomes a very would bring on an awful conflict.

#### A LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

The San Francisco Chronicle is not very sanguine over the prospect for a league of nations, though it recognizes it as an attractive idea. It can see no advantage, however, to be derived apparently found everything just lovely from a league which contemplates the for the republican party. It may have continuance of armaments on the been, however, that that was what Mr. present scale. This, it is claimed, is Adams went to look for. He admits what the German plan does comprethat prospects were not so good alittle hend. The Chronicle thinks the scheme while back, but now they are improv- may be discussed with advantage, the discussion operating as a sort of safety-value for idealism. Our con-

"The only practical league is one which assumes the absolute eradication of all forms of militarism from the world, with a league police force just strong enough to assure that the horrid thing does not start up again anyworth considering, if it had no other function, but it does not seem to be in the minds of 'responsible statesment at Washington or elsewhere, Nobody wants such a league but the peo-

The Chronicle is eminently correct in eradicates militarism. If the mad comnetition in arming the nations is to "In Illinois the republicans claim they will elect Medill McCormick over Senator James Hamilton Lewis. The latter undoubtedly will get more votes than any other democrat could command, but while he may carry Cook county, because of the opposition of the adherents of Mayor Thompson to McCormick, he will be defeated in the state. There appears no doubt of military burden.

would be an awkward superfluity, as well as more or less of a contradiction in terms. The only conceivable use for such a league would be service as a well as a method of disarmament. "No-body wants such a league but the people will welcome riddance from the state. There appears no doubt of military burden.

thought in its insinuation that it is yet be made to hold together. Russia is in turmoil, Great Britain has auton-

hold permanently, it might then be in order to consider a world federation. The broad intimation-and the corwinnig in Kentucky, where Gov. Stan-ley is none too popular. It is conceded is that nearly any kind of scheme is that New Hampshire will return a re-preferable to the blight and menace preferable to the blight and menace

## VENIZELOS COMING.

of militarism.

Again it is rumored that Venizelos. the Greek statesman and premier, is planning an early visit to the United States, and the prospect of his coming has revived interest in this remarkable man and the projects he may have in mind. It has recently been the fashion matters to think of.

the very last sentence of Mr. Adams" improbable that Venizelos wants to talk sary to select a later date this year. over future plans for that interesting have been a different story to tell

about Serbla's subjugation. But with the assistance of the allies I the Greek title to Macedonia will be

#### THE ANSWER



confirmed, that Serbia will be enlarged from the Slav portions of Austria-Hungary and that possibly Transylvania and perhaps Bessarabia will be annexed to Rumania. But what shall be done with and to Bulgaria? And what Turkey? And what relation shall the Balkan states sustain to each other and

the balance of the world after the war? In this connection speculation over the much-discussed league of nations becomes interesting. If it shall become reality shall the Balkan states come in as individual members or shall a Balkan federation constitute a sort of wheel within a wheel? And in case the federation is undertaken, will there be the same objection urged against recognition of Bulgaria as an equal member that has been raised against the acceptance of Germany into the family of nations? Can the three or four different races of the Balkans be brought together so that peace and contentment shall prevail in the future? There are many interesting features of the Balkan problem upon which light may be derived from Ventzelos' pilgrimage to this country. He will

meet a warm reception from officials EMPTYING THE PRISONS.

Not very many persons are being sent to the penitentiary in Tennessee to Hon. Lewis S. Pope, Pope is no doubt correct in his diagnosis of the situation, but it is alto-Such a league would be quite gether likely that the larger share of responsibility for drying up crime belongs to prohibition.

One reason for believing that the enforcement of the anti-liquor laws is the cause for the less frequent convictions for felonies is the fact that the tenstrong in their direction that they are its suggestion that the only league of dency was quite observable before the nations worth a snap of the fingers is war began. It has steadily progressed, one which supersedes and thoroughly however, until the falling off of business in the criminal courts has become quite marked. It is now considered continue, a league to enforce peace possible that the next legislature may would be an awkward superfluity, as try to reduce the personnel of the

of drunkenness upon the character. It is merely another illustration of the process of cause and effect.

## AS AN EARNEST.

several weeks that Germany was trying sertions of democrats, the republicans omy troubles and even the United are certain of electing two United States has had one civil war. If it can be thoroughly demonstrated that possible. Incidents transpiring from rade where the republicans have the republicans have the control of the state of the sta present national organizations will day to day have but served to confirm this conviction. Now that Foreign Minister Solf reasserts the genuineness of the democratization processes and files as an exhibit the resignation of Ludendorff it becomes more apparent that the great German military machine is at the end of its resources.

There is one more demand which the allies might conceivably make before beginning peace negotiations-the absolute obliteration of the present kaiser's connection with the government. Whether such demand is to be made direct will soon be known.

## STITCH IN TIME.

As the winter season approaches and it becomes necessary to fire up the loans, and this may be comprehended stoves, grates and furnaces, Gov. Rye the greater safety of laughing last, and in the trip of Venizelos. But it is prac- and Fire Prevention Commissioner Gillenwaters do well to keep continually before us the dangers of the fire hazard. In order to enforce the lesson, the The Balkan question is one of the governor has set apart Saturday, Nov. acute phases of the war situation, al- 2, as Fire Prevention day. It has been there their liberality ends. They are though it has presented the aspects of customary to observe Oct. 9, but the even doubtful about the certainty of a problem for generations. It is not liberty loan campaign made it neces-

> The governor declares that fire losses in the country average about \$500 a at Washington. He was pro-ally from minute, and, in Tennessee, about exercises, spread information and cul-

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# FINAL BLOW IS NOW IMMINENT

Germans, It Is Believed, Will Put Up Stiff Fight When They Reach Line Planned for Their Last Stand.

tack on the German right flank-mo- the foreign office, it is declared.
mentous events capable of exercising a | It is the strong belief that internal decisive influence upon the whole cam-

on the line of the Scheldt, which is of great natural strength, although no extensive prepared positions exist along it, but he cannot shorten his line mafor recovery from the effects of his de-feat on any front short of the Brus-sels-Meuse line.

Line Still Unbroken.

last three months nearly 300,000 prisgeneral demoralization has yet set in. to that extent aligns itself with the They have, besides, the certainty of purposes of the associated governmens as expressen both by President Wilson and Lloyd Court by President as it may do now at any time. There is in fact no reason why the enemy hould not effect a withdrawal without

incurring disaster. Military authorities here continue to take a conservative view of the prospects for a decisive stroke yet awhile, in fact, they discourage any such planned for final resistance. But the evacuation of Lille, without any willful damage to the city beyond the robbery early in the war of machinery from the

Gillenwaters urges a sharp lookout and the report to his office in Nashville of any dangerous conditions that may exist in one's neighborhood, that the matter may be investigated and the danger if any shated.

Before the hot fires of the winter become necessary, it would be a measure of wise precaution to carefully inspect all chimneys, flues and stovepipes for any defect or aperture through which sparks might escape. Also, to use conservatism about installing any new or untested heating device and to keep all inflammable materials safely out of the reach of fire. These are all homely and trite admonitions, but their observance may prevent many destructive fires.

Visions of increased rates bring nemories of the good old days to the express companies-or company, perhaps.

Opinion expressed that Alsace-Lorraine is of concern to Germany alone is, of course, subject to revision without notice.

Some one has suggested that it is doubtful whether the Turk in fact invented the Turkish bath. Perhaps the allies will introduce him to it and note whether he recognizes it.

Italy seems to be resuming her stride of eighteen months ago. She wants to take another peep to ascertain whether beyond the Alps still lies Austria,

Germany As a War Machine.

The German empire since 1871 has been organized as a war machine and the mind of the nation has been perverted and poisoned by cheap visions of military glory. The system of sub-servience known as kultur pointed directly toward expansion by conquest. Kultur is a system of discipline en-forced from above. It means complete forced from above. It means complete military as well as industrial regimentation, and complete subordination of the individual to the dynasty and the state. It is ruinous to individual development, destructive to initiative, and it plays into the hands of the privileged classes generally, whose serfs are the people. Among the many efforts in Germany to relieve the working classes, not one arises out of a desire to do justice. They are all merely devices to make labor efficient, thus guaranteeing the highest profit thus guaranteeing the highest profit possible to the caste which thrives on their work. The relation of the people to their rulers is that of sheep to the people owner."—David Starr Jordan

# CRITICS DISCOURAGE HOPES THAT

the Serbian premier, in wondon last week, in which he definitely restated the position of the Serbian govern-

conditions in Germany will hasten the

member of the board of control, who divides credit for this condition heline is still unbroken, the German tween the war and prohibition. Mr. divides are still intact, and nothing like in gon racial, not bolshevist, lines, and

mens as expressen both by President Wilson and Lloyd George.
Heine, the ruthless critic of his own countrymen, said: "A free Germany would be the worst Germany of all," and if "bolshevist" is read for "free" his judgment fits the times.

Abdication Unimportant.
The fact that the kaiser has not yet abdicated is unimportant seeing that

events are marching at a pace that insures the attainment of that as well as other aims of the entente and the United States. The cardinal fact of Germanys internal state is the absolute dethronement of Hindenburg and I in fact, they discourage any such abdicated is unimportant, seeing that hopes, believing the Germans can put events are marching at a pace that inup a stiff fight when they reach the line sures the attrainment of that as well

> about her surrender. Izzet Pasha, the latest grand vizier, though always a pronounced pro-German, his two sons quaintance with entente countries to appreciate their power and will to impose their policy, it is believed, will accept the inevitable when his diplomatic shifts prove useless.
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> Overeating.
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> When you have a fullness and weight in the stomach after eating, you may know that you have eaten too much and that you should take one of shifts prove useless.

## PACIFIST DANIELS

Praises Pacifist Ford—Gives Definition of Pacifism.
(Washington Correspondent Detroit News.)

"The only man to be afraid of in a fight is a pacifist. It is because he is a pacifist that Henry Ford has proven one of the factors in winning this war."

Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy, had just issued a formal statement telling of Mr. Ford's work in war production for the navy and urging Mr. Ford's election as senator from Michigan.

"But forme people, mostly outside of Michigan are saying Henry Ford is a pacifist and that he would be a danger in the senate for that reason," it was suggested.

Michigan. ars saying Henry Ford is a pacifist and that he would be a danger in the senate for that reason," it was suggested.

"Abraham Lincoln was a pacifist. He was also a fighter," said Mr. Daniels, "Cites Quaker Fighter.

"One of the best fighters in the marine corps is Smedley Butler. He is not only a pacifist, but he is a member of the Quaker church. He says "thee" and "thou." He is opposed to war, but he fights. In the Spanish-American war, in Santo Domingo, in Haliti and at Vera Crushe has written a wonderful record of service on the field of battle.

"A pacifist is a man who hopes the world can be run without fighting. When he does fight it is only for principle, and he keeps on fighting until his principles are established."

"You are something of a pacifist yourself," it was suggested.

"Yes, I am a pacifist," said Mr. Daniels quickly.

"Michigan has made no contribution to hasten national preparedness greater than Mr. Ford's building of the Eagle boats." Mr. Daniels said. "By next summer we expect to have a hundred openore of these new craft in the water. A has also built Liberty motors and in other ways aided in national efficiency for war.

"Mr. Ford, in tendering his own services and his whole plant, left to the navy department full power to fix compensation. He never haggled about price or money and was ready to do whatever the navy department desired in any way it directed. His spirit of patriotism, manifested during this crisis, shows he is the patriot who gives no lip or deck service, but puts everything he has in brains, resources and achievement at the service of the government.

"Mr. Ford's industrial work is as important to the winning of the war as is the work of the man who commands the fleet. The fact that a man is wearing a uniform does not signify he is rendering the greater service.

"It is because of Henry Ford's spirit and Henry Ford's 100 per cent. Americanism that he is honored the world over as one of the world's foremost citizens."

Mr. Daniels continued:

"Mc. Parlet Suppleme

#### SERBIA'S ATTITUDE (Christian Science Monstor.)

The statement made by Mr. Pashitch (By James M. Tuohy.)

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Today marks a luli in the excited has at last been driven home upon the balkans, was worthy of a people elation caused by yesterday's sensa-tional reports, but expectations still run high as the military difficulties of the enemy accumulate. The allied land victories in Belgium, together with the British naval occupation of Ostend, are opening out the possibilities of the at- ident Wilson's latest note had come to all directions and reclaiming their country almost as fast as they can march forward. It is significant, there-fore, that Mr. Pashitch should choose decisive influence upon the whole campaign.

In military circles it is believed the enemy intends to withdraw to a line running from Antwerp, in front of Brussels, to Namur, and thence along the right bank of the Meuse. It is likely he will attempt delaying actions on the line of the Scheldt, which is of a revolution in Germany would only enhance the difficulties of the associated governments to bring about peace and in enforcing reparation from Germany tensive prepared positions exist along it, but he cannot shorten his line materially or gain time and opportunity for recovery from the effects of his defeat on any front short of the Brussels-Meuse line.

Line Still Unbroken.

The enemy's forces have lost in the last three months nearly \$00,000 prisoners and 4,600 guns, but the German tensioners and 4,600 guns tensioners and 4,600 guns tensioners and 4,600 guns tensioners and 4,600 guns tensioners and 4,600 gun

Such a declaration from a country like Serbia, in the hour of victory, is full of promise for the future. It is in just accord with the spirit of the imes, and it is one of the first great declarations from a sovereign state that it intends to depend solely upon the law of righteousness for the settlement of its future. Such a trust, of course, is never misplaced, but in the case of the Jugo-Slavs the result of their free deliberations is already practically in sight. For several years dethronement of Hindenburg and Ludendorff as unconquerable heroes and idols and the impossibility of finding which the Jugo-Slavs are scattered have been coming to see with increasidols and the impossibility of many dollars to replace them.

Turkey is pursuing her customary ing clearness, that for many decades, they have been the dupes of that ceased to count in the military problems of the allies there is no urgency lems of the allies there is no urgency summed in the phrase "Divide et impossible the surrender. Izzet Pasha, the always a place of the country of the property of the country of the cou

